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- 1. The Yun T'ung Shipping Company has been parating in Hong Kong Since 1948. In April 1951 it had its main office in the Fukien Provincial Government Bank, 2 Ice House Street, and appeared to be using its premises at 176/12 Gloucester Road, ground floor, as a hostel for the office staff and members of the crews of ships chartered by the company.
- 2. The company owns no ships but charters vessels from such firms as John Manners and Company, Wallem and Company and the Far East Shipping and Trading Company of Macao. It is not known to have any branches outside flong Kong, but TUNG Jui-nien (臺灣上), the present manager, says that it has agencies in Centon. Tientsin, Shanghai and Tsingtao, and claims that the company's business is now confined to China, although it has occasionally shipped cargoes from China to Japan via Hong Kong and vice versa. The three partners in the Yun T'ung Shipping Company, LIU Ju-ch'eng (劉汝誠), KU Tzu-ming (劉子胡) and ThNG Kuo-hua (黃子山, are in Shanghai.
- Since late 1949 or early 1950 the Yun Tung Company has been operating on behalf of the Chinese Communist government, and may be regarded as under effective Chinese Communist control in fact, if not in name. The company management has been in constant consultation with WD Ti-chou2 and other Chinese Communist Party and government officials concerned with Communist China's tracing interests in hong hong, and the company was given the task of shipping to China some of the China and CATC stores which were removed from Hong hong in 1950. It also received, in April 1950, a circular directive issued by the Chinese Communist ministry of Trade allotting shipping priorities.
- 4. In December 1950 the Yun T'ung Company was taken over as one of the subsidiaries of the Universal Development Company3, 18 Ice House Street. This company was formed towards the end of 1950 as the merger of seven firms, several of which had played an active part in commercial transactions for the Chinese Communist government. The merger was effected by SU Chi-te ( ), Long Kong representative of the East China Trade Eureau and until September 1950 one of the managers of the Yun T'ung Company.

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- E. The Yun T'ung Company has had close business connection with the Yuen Tung Company of Macao, the Wan Tung hong of Canton, the Tung Loi Company, and the Luen Hop hong (Union Company) at a Bonham Strand West<sup>4</sup>. The Luen Hop hong used to market the cargoes which the Yun T'ung Company purchased in Morth China, and formerly had offices at 177 Gloudester Road, ground floor. In May 1950 these premises were occupied by the Tung Loi Company, hirers of warehouse space, who provided an accommodation address in Hong Kong for the wan Tung Hong of Canton. The Tung Loi Companied shared a telephone number with the Yun T'ung Company, in which the Tung Loi manager is believed to have held some shares.
- 6. In July and August 1950 a former manager of the Yun T'ung Company, SUNG Chia-jui (太龙龙), was in Singapore and engaged in commercial transactions with the shoc Guan Trading Company, which was established in Singapore in 1946 by KAO Yu-ch'ing (黄龙) and JhAnG Ch'u-hun (黄龙龙). In march 1949 SU Chi-te stated that he was manager of the Yuen mei Company's office at 321 Manking Road, Shanghai, while KAO Yu-ch'ing was manager of the Singapore branch, and CHANG Ch'u-hun of the Hong Kong branch. About three months later KAO reported that, although the formation of a Yuen mei Company had been discussed, the plans had come to nothing. SU Chi-te had said that the Hong Hong branch of the Yuen mei Company shared offices with the Kin Yuen Company at 56 Des Voeux Road Central. CHANG Ch'u-hun and his brother, CHANG Ch'u-ming, were partners in the kin Yuen Company, and CHANG Ch'u-hun has stayed in its premises when visiting hong hong. The Yun T'ung Company charters the Kin Yuen Company's SS NAM BEE. These involved connections may be purely commercial but they would be potentially useful to the Chinese Communists in furthering clandestine activities.
- 7. According to TUNG Jui-nien, general manager of the Yun T'ung Company in Hong Kong, the remainder of the staff are as follows:

LIANG Chen (果度)
LIN Chain (林勤)
Chain (林勤)
Chain (林勤)
THENG Chain (陳恩晉)
WANG Lain (王開)
LI wing-yuan (李明遠
LU Chien-jung (旨建营)
LIN Shac-i (林紹殷)
WEI Jui-fang (幸瑞芳)
TENG Piei-ying (舒培芝)
TENG Piei-ying (何處忠)
YUAN A-yen (袁阿炎)
YUAN A-yen (袁阿炎)
YU Tzu-mei (衛子美)

General department

Clearance clerk

Clerk

Accountant

Accountant (female)

Accountant (female)

Business department

Shipping department

Clerk

Office boy

Typist (female)

Office boy

Office boy

Clerk

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